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REQUEST FOR CORRECTION OF APPLICATION FILIN

Sir:

In reviewing the application Filing Receipt for the above-identified application, it has come to our attention that the fifth inventor's last name has been misspelled due to a typographical error. As evidenced in the Response to Notice to File Missing Parts of Non-Provisional Application - Filing Date Granted (a copy of which is attached), the correct spelling of the fifth inventor's last name is -- Alquesta --. Accordingly, correction of this mistake is respectfully requested.

Enclosed is a copy of the Filing Receipt including the above-noted error annotated in red ink. Correction of the Filing Receipt is respectfully requested. Applicant submits that no fees are required to make these corrections in the Filing Receipt. However, if any fees are required, please charge to Deposit Account No. 08-2461.

Respectfully submitted,

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RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF NON-PROVISIONAL APPLICATION - FILING DATE GRANTED

Sir:

In response to the Notice To File Missing Parts of Application - Filing Date Granted dated March 14, 2002, a response to which is due May 14, 2002, enclosed herewith are the following:

- 1. Copy of Notice to File Missing Parts of Application Filing Date Granted.
- Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney executed by Inventors:
 John G. McCann, Daniel S. Banner, Louis S. Beres III, Joseph A. Repp and Robert E. Alquesta.
- 3. Check in the amount of \$170.00 representing the late filing fee of \$130.00 and \$40.00 recording fee of the assignment.

Assignment documents are being concurrently filed with this response in a separate correspondence to the Assignment Division, along with the required Recordation Form Cover Sheet and the fee of \$40.00, which is enclosed.

Also enclosed please find an Associate Power of Attorney.

Please charge any deficiencies or credit any overpayment in these fees to Deposit Account No. 08-2461. A duplicate of this transmittal is enclosed.

In view of the documents submitted herewith, Applicant respectively urges that the application is in condition for examination. Please direct any questions regarding this submission to Applicants' undersigned attorney.

Respectfully submitted,

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Receipt is acknowledged of this nonprovisional Patent Application. It will be considered in its order and you will be notified as to the results of the examination. Be sure to provide the U.S. APPLICATION NUMBER, FILING DATE, NAME OF APPLICANT, and TITLE OF INVENTION when inquiring about this application. Fees transmitted by check or draft are subject to collection. Please verify the accuracy of the data presented on this receipt. If an error is noted on this Filing Receipt, please write to the Office of Initial Patent Examination's Filing Receipt Corrections, facsimile number 703-746-9195. Please provide a copy of this Filing Receipt with the changes noted thereon. If you received a "Notice to File Missing Parts" for this application, please submit any corrections to this Filing Receipt with your reply to the Notice. When the USPTO processes the reply to the Notice, the USPTO will generate another Filing Receipt incorporating the requested corrections (if appropriate).

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Title

Molded tube of improved performance

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